Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. 20. (Cancelled)
- 21. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell comprising:

a membrane electrode assembly comprising an electrolyte membrane and a pair of porous electrodes provided on both sides of the electrolyte membrane;

first and second separators sandwiching the membrane electrode assembly, each of the first and second separators being formed to have, on a surface adjacent to the membrane electrode assembly, a gas flow path and a rib defining the gas flow path, wherein, on the first separator and/or on the second separator, a plurality of gas flow paths are formed in parallel with each other to collectively form a gas flow path bundle, wherein the gas flow path bundle is formed in a serpentine shape having a winding portion, and wherein the gas flow path bundle includes, at the winding portion, a bent gas flow path and a bent rib defining the bent gas flow path; and

a plurality of projections for <u>pressing the porous electrode</u> configured to press at least one of the porous electrodes, located on the <u>bent</u> rib of the gas flow path bundle of at least one of the first and and/or second separators, wherein the projections differ in at least one of a height and and/or a width thereof.

- 22. (Previously Presently) The fuel cell according to claim 21, wherein only heights of the plurality of projections are different from each other.
- 23. (Previously Presently) The fuel cell according to claim 21, wherein only widths of the plurality of projections are different from each other.
- 24. (Previously Presently) The fuel cell according to claim 21, wherein

heights and widths of the plurality of projections are different from each other.

- 25. (Currently Amended) The fuel cell according to claim 21, wherein the plurality of projections are located on the <u>bent</u> rib in parallel with each other along <u>a longitudinal direction of</u> the <u>bent</u> rib.
- 26. (Currently Amended) The fuel cell according to claim 21, wherein the plurality of projections are arranged consecutively along a longitudinal direction of the bent rib.
 - 27. (Cancelled)
 - 28. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell comprising:

a membrane electrode assembly comprising an electrolyte membrane and a pair of porous electrodes provided on both sides of the electrolyte membrane;

first and second separators sandwiching the membrane electrode assembly, each of the first and second separators being formed to have, on a surface adjacent to the membrane electrode assembly, a gas flow path and a rib defining the gas flow path, wherein, on the first separator and/or on the second separator, a plurality of gas flow paths are formed in parallel with each other to collectively form a gas flow path bundle, wherein the gas flow path bundle is formed in a serpentine shape having a winding portion, and wherein the gas flow path bundle includes, at the winding portion, a bent gas flow path and a bent rib defining the bent gas flow path; and

a projection <u>for pressing configured to press at least one of</u> the porous electrodes, located on the <u>bent</u> rib <u>of the gas flow path bundle</u> of <u>at least one of</u> the first <u>and and/or</u> second separators, wherein <u>at least one of</u> a height <u>and/or</u> a width of the projection continuously changes along <u>the longitudinal direction of</u> the <u>bent</u> rib.

29. (Previously Presently) The fuel cell according to claim 28, wherein

only the width of the projection is continuously changed.

- 30. (Previously Presently) The fuel cell according to claim 28, wherein only the height of the projection is continuously changed.
- 31. (Currently Amended) The fuel cell according to claim 28, wherein

the projection is located on a <u>bent</u> rib of an anode side separator or a cathode side separator, or on **bent** ribs of anode and cathode side separators.

32. (New) A fuel cell comprising:

a membrane electrode assembly comprising an electrolyte membrane and a pair of porous electrodes provided on both sides of the electrolyte membrane;

first and second separators sandwiching the membrane electrode assembly, each of the first and second separators being formed to have, on a surface adjacent to the membrane electrode assembly, a gas flow path and a rib defining the gas flow path, wherein a pair of interdigitated flow paths are formed on the first separator and/or on the second separator, wherein each of the interdigitated flow paths includes a main flow path and a plurality of branch flow paths branched from the main flow path, and wherein the branch flow paths of the pair of the interdigitated flow paths are arranged alternately along a longitudinal direction of the main flow path; and

a plurality of projections for pressing the porous electrode, located on the rib and positioned at an end of one of the branch flow paths of the first separator and/or the second separator, wherein the projections differ in a height and/or a width thereof.

33. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 32, wherein

only the heights of the plurality of projections are different from each other.

- 34. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 32, wherein only the widths of the plurality of projections are different from each other.
- 35. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 32, wherein the heights and widths of the plurality of projections are different from each other.
- 36. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 32, wherein

the plurality of projections are located on the rib in parallel with each other along a longitudinal direction of the rib.

37. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 32, wherein

the plurality of projections are arranged consecutively along a longitudinal direction of the rib.

38. (New) A fuel cell comprising:

a membrane electrode assembly comprising an electrolyte membrane and a pair of porous electrodes provided on both sides of the electrolyte membrane;

first and second separators sandwiching the membrane electrode assembly, each of the first and second separators being formed to have, on its surface adjacent to the membrane electrode assembly, a gas flow path and a rib defining the gas flow path, wherein a pair of

interdigitated flow paths are formed on the first separator and/or on the second separator, wherein each of the interdigitated flow paths includes a main flow path and a plurality of branch flow paths branched from the main flow path, and wherein the branch flow paths of the pair of the interdigitated flow paths are arranged alternately along a longitudinal direction of the main flow path; and

a projection for pressing the porous electrode, located on the rib and positioned at an end of one of the branch flow paths of the first separator and/or the second separator, wherein a height and/or a width of the projection continuously changes along the longitudinal direction of the rib.

- 39. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 38, wherein only the width of the projection is continuously changed.
- 40. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 38, wherein only the height of the projection is continuously changed.
- 41. (New) The fuel cell according to claim 38, wherein

the projection is located on a rib of an anode side separator or a cathode side separator, or on ribs of anode and cathode side separators.